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HCV NS3 PROTEASE

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO NOTICE OF
NON-FULLY RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT**

August 20, 2009
Cambridge, MA

Sir:

This Amendment and Reply is in response to the February 23, 2009 Notice mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application. A three-month extension of time for filing an Amendment and Reply to Notice of Non-Fully Responsive Amendment is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently herewith.

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